

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Monday, January 26, 2015

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**Governor Malloy Issues Travel Ban Effective 9:00 pm -
Simsbury Residents Urged to Shelter in Place**

STORM PREPARATION:

Earlier this afternoon Governor Dan Malloy issued a travel ban for all roads beginning at 9:00 pm this evening. Town of Simsbury residents are strongly urged to shelter in place, and should be prepared to shelter in place for at least 24 and up to 48 hours as travel of any kind may be dangerous. Town of Simsbury emergency personnel continue to monitor the approaching storm which could result in snow accumulations of 22 to 32 inches by Tuesday. “Emergency staff had a final pre-storm meeting this afternoon – emergency personnel are in place and Town staff are prepared to respond to what is expected to be a significant snowfall,” said First Selectman Lisa Heavner. Residents should ensure they have supplies such as food; gasoline for vehicles, generators, snow removal equipment and home heating fuel; water; medicines; and batteries in advance of tonight’s snowfall. For more information about preparing for a storm, please visit the Town of Simsbury’s website at <http://www.simsbury-ct.gov/preparedness>.

PARKING BAN:

The Town of Simsbury is implementing a parking ban on town streets beginning at 2 p.m. on Monday until further notice to ensure that town snow plows are able to prepare roads and to remove snow.

TOWN CLOSINGS:

Town of Simsbury buildings, including Town Hall, Eno Memorial Hall and the Library, will close at 5:00 pm on Monday, January 26, 2015 and remain closed on Tuesday, January 27, 2015. A determination will be made on Tuesday as to when Town buildings will reopen.

OUTAGE INFORMATION:

Residents are urged to contact Connecticut Light & Power at (800) 286-2000 if they lose power during the storm, or on their website at www.cl-p.com. In order to receive information in the event of an emergency, residents are also urged to sign up for CT Alert and the Town of Simsbury's "Community Alerts" by visiting the Town of Simsbury's website at www.simsbury-ct.gov/alerts. Finally, in order to ensure that fire department personnel can respond in the event of an emergency, residents are asked to clear snow away from fire hydrants after the storm has abated.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

The following contact information should be kept on hand:

- Emergency (police, fire and ambulance): 911
- Routine Police Department calls: (860) 658-3100
- Routine Fire Department calls: (860) 658-1971
- Storm Information Hotline: (860) 658-3197
- Poison Control: (800) 222-1222
- Social/Senior Services: (860) 658-3283
- Power Outage: (800) 286-2000
- United Way Infoline: 2-1-1
- www.simsbury-ct.gov
- www.simsburyfd.org

Further information will be provided as the storm progresses.

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